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What is claimed is:

- 5 1. A method, comprising:
 - sensing rate and shock channel signals;
 - aligning the shock channel signals using a feature of the rate channel signals;
 - generating a candidate template using the aligned shock channel signals;
 - 10 storing the candidate template if a current cardiac rhythm correlates with the candidate template; and
 - retaining a previously stored template or not storing the candidate template if the current cardiac rhythm fails to correlate with the candidate template.

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